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From: Commanding Officer, Coast Guard Group/Marine Safety Office Long Island Sound

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Subj: 2004 LONG ISLAND SOUND AREA CONTINGENCY PLAN, LETTER OF PROMULGATION

- 1. As mandated by the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 (OPA 90), the 2003 revision of the Long Island Sound Area Contingency Plan (ACP) has been completed and is effective upon receipt. This revision replaces the 1995 ACP and is in effect until superceded.
- 2. This edition of the ACP has been changed to incorporate the incident command system (ICS) format using the guidelines of NIIMS ICS and Commandant (G-MOR) draft instruction 16471.1 of June 1996. Additionally, it reflects the ICS organization by organizing response information into these five sections: Command, Operations, Planning, Logistics, and Finance. Sections of this plan have been updated as necessary through efforts of the Long Island Sound Area Committee.
- 3. These format revisions have been done in an effort to make the ACP easier for the responder to use. The Area Committee will continually identify and document ACP omissions and shortfalls while refining the plan and incorporating lessons learned into future revisions.
- 4. This ACP will continue to be made available to the public via the internet at Group/MSO's website: http://www.uscg.mil/d1/units/grumsolis/readiness/ACP/ACP-index.htm Publication on the internet allows the Area Committees to update their plans as pertinent information develops and changes. These updates will be noted on the web page as they are posted.
- 5. Comments and recommendations regarding this plan are welcome and should be submitted through the Area Committee.

Sincerely,

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